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APPLICANT : ESA SUOKAS ET AL.  
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FOR : SYNTHETIC, BIOABSORBABLE POLYMER MATERIALS  
AND IMPLANTS  
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EXAMINER : TO BE ASSIGNED

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC  
371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice dated May 19, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following:

- (1) Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements, and
- (2) Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27(c) Applicants hereby claim entitlement to small entity status.


The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) (**late Declaration surcharge, \$65**) to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment arising from this communication to that same account.

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/17/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/17/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/17/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/17/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/17/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/17/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/17/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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